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# GET 'EM OFF TONIGHT



Plot to kick out  
**Conway Sisters**

**EXCLUSIVE**

■ by MARK JEFFERIES

PLOTTING viewers aim to give the off-key Conway Sisters the X Factor axe tonight. Bookies make the singers a cert to go Turn to Page 9



TARGET: The Conway girls

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**PUDSEY BARE:** Kate wears bikini from www.figleaves.com and shrug by Isabell Kristensen. Below left, bikini by Playboy (tel. 0115 970 4544). Below right, Kate and Peter sing their live telly duet



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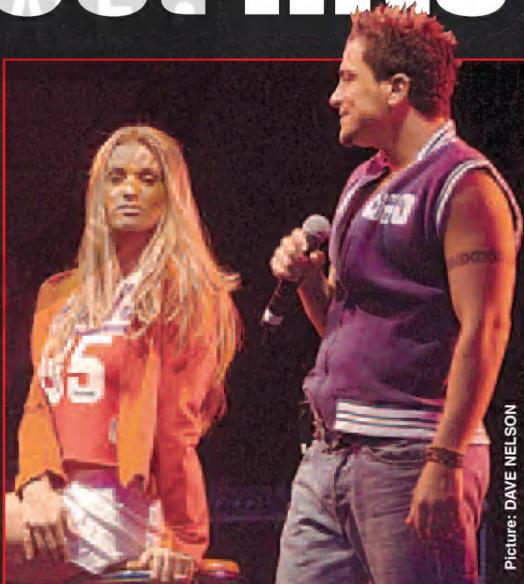
# Kate 'n' Pete's greatest hits

## TV DUET FOR NEEDY KIDS

■ by IAIN BURCHELL

GORGEOUS Kate Price turned chart-buster last night to give a bumper boost to telly's Children in Need appeal. Kate delighted millions of fans by teaming up with husband Peter Andre to sing live as part of the Beeb's charity marathon. And they may even release a pop single together. The model, aka Jordan, proved she and 32-year-old Peter are well in tune by duetting on the song played at their wedding – *A Whole New World* from Disney film *Aladdin*. Sizzling performances from Madonna, 47, ex-soap babes Nikki Sanderson, 21, and Amy Nuttall, 23, and a host of other stars set the show on target to raise a record £35million. But 27-year-old Kate's fans will be relieved to know she hasn't given up the day job. She showed off her famous curves to model these bikinis – and looked a million herself.

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## ANT BASH

■ by PETER DYKE

IT WAS a case of "I'm a celebrity birth-day boy get me a beer" as show co-host Ant McPartlin went on the razzle yesterday.

He took his girlfriend Lisa Armstrong and TV pal Declan Donnelly out for a drink to celebrate his 30th birthday.

Ant and Dee are busy preparing for the show to kick off Down Under tomorrow. But they took time out to mark Ant's big day.

Dec, 30 and Lisa, 29, joined the birth-day boy on a trip to Byron Bay on the Gold Coast for a beer and a spot of lunch. And you can bet Bush Tucker Trial-style grub was NOT on the menu.



BEER WE GO: Ant and Lisa head off to celebrate

# I LOVE

## Sid's got his eye on bikini girl Kim



### EXCLUSIVE

■ from PETER DYKE in Australia  
RANDY Sid Owen says he would love to get Neighbourly with soap babe Kimberley Davies out in the jungle.

Both stars will head off into the Aussie outback today for TV's I'm A Celebrity.

But cheeky Sid has confessed that seeing sexy ex-Neighbours beauty Kimberley in her bikini will get him all steamed up in the rainforest, despite the spiders and snakes.

"I do fancy Kimberley – who doesn't?" said Sid, 33, who played grease monkey Ricky Butcher in EastEnders.

"I know she is married and I respect that."

"But there is nothing to stop me looking. You can look and not touch!"

### Nude

Blonde Kimberley, 32 – who played Annalise Hartman in the Aussie show – is happy to give Sid and her army of male fans an eyeful in the Outback.

She revealed she has packed some eye-popping bikinis for I'm A Celeb, which starts tomorrow.

But Kimberley won't be going totally starkers.

"I have turned down offers to pose nude in the past because I was worried what my gran or mum would think," she said.

"So you won't see me naked in the jungle."

After hearing about Sid's flirty intentions, she teased: "Well if he remembers me from Neighbours that was a few years ago."

"I have had two children since. And I don't think we'll be in a very glamorous situation."

However Kimberley says she will miss her surgeon hubby Jason and family – and she admits she'll certainly miss the nokie.

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Sheree with her special luxury item

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**Jimmy Osmond:** A Hummy Bear toy he designed himself.

**Sheree Murphy:** A pillow for her to cuddle. It's printed with pictures of her children to stop her missing them.

**Carol Thatcher:** A folding chair so she's

got something softer to sit on than a log.

**Sid Owen:** He's also chosen a camping chair.

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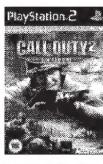
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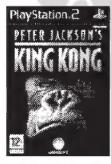
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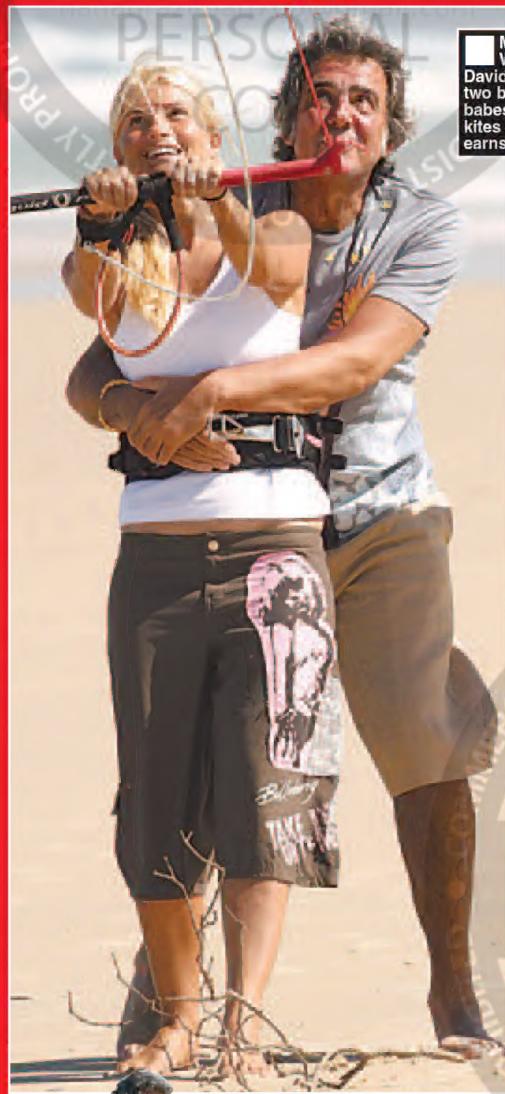
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# MY NEIGHBOUR



**MAKING WAVES:**  
David helps two beach babes fly kites – and earns a kiss



## DAVID'S BEACH PEACHES

**PERMA-TANNED** David Dickinson has only been in Australia 24 hours but he's already made time to catch some rays – and a couple of Sheillas. **The Bargain Hunt host**, 64, was meant to stay in his luxury hotel ahead of his tough jungle jaunt. But the lure of the glorious sunshine proved too much.

He slipped off for some bronzing – and a spot of kite-flying with a couple of Aussie beauts.



**FLYING HIGH:** He gets to grips with one girl and risks taking off as he holds the kite controls

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# KEANO QUILTS

## £100k-a-week skipper storms out in bust-up

■ by JOHN MAHONEY

**ROY KEANE** stormed out of Manchester United yesterday when they tried to strip him of the captain's armband.

The Irish hardman, who was fiercely proud of skipping the side and had been with United for 12 years, told pals he'd been treated "worse than dirt".

He arrived yesterday morning with his lawyer and agent Michael Kennedy to meet chief executive David Gill, 48, in the hope of thrashing out his future.

BUT Gill dropped the bombshell that no new contract extension was on offer and they wanted him out as captain.

No-nonsense Keane, 34, then declared he was walking out immediately on his £100,000-a-week contract.

He was officially said to have left by mutual consent, but a source revealed: "Roy is completely gutted."

"From being respected and part of the inner circle – even touted as a future manager – he's been booted where it hurts."

Matters came to a head on Thursday evening, when he had a bust-up with manager Sir Alex Ferguson's No 2, Carlos Queiroz, 52, over tactics.

That came after Keane watched United's reserves beat West Bromwich Albion 4-1 at Hyde United's Ewen Fields ground.

### Vibes

A United colleague said: "Just talking to people there, Roy picked up the vibes that all was not well and his position at the club was in doubt."

"He left the match wondering just what was in store for him when he met the chief exec the following morning. Now we know what the game plan was."

"It seems the club made up their minds some time ago about how they were going to handle him."

Keane played 480 games during his career at United, scoring 51 goals. But he hasn't always seen eye to eye with the club's bosses or his team-mates.

He savaged his fellow players in an interview for the club's MUTV station following the side's 4-1 defeat at Middlesbrough last month.

Furious Sir Alex, 63, ordered it to be shelved. But details leaked out – and Fergie played it to the first team squad which made dad-of-five Keane's position untenable.

The player lives with wife Theresa, 33, in a £1.4million mansion in Hale, Cheshire.

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**KEANO SPECIAL:  
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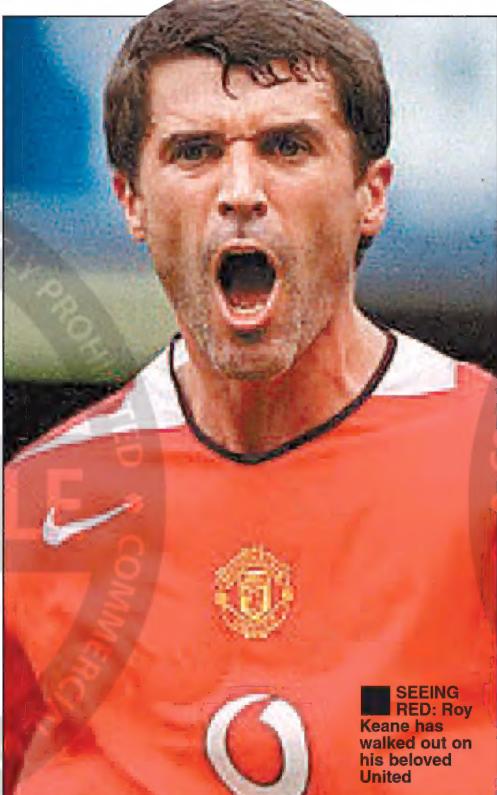
**Ron in clear over 'rape'**

■ by JAMES WICKHAM

– who signed a two-year contract extension yesterday to keep him at Old Trafford until 2010 – told friends he was the victim of a "stitch-up".

Two French women made allegations to police.

But witnesses at London's Sanderson Hotel told police they had seen the women laughing and flirting with Ronaldo.



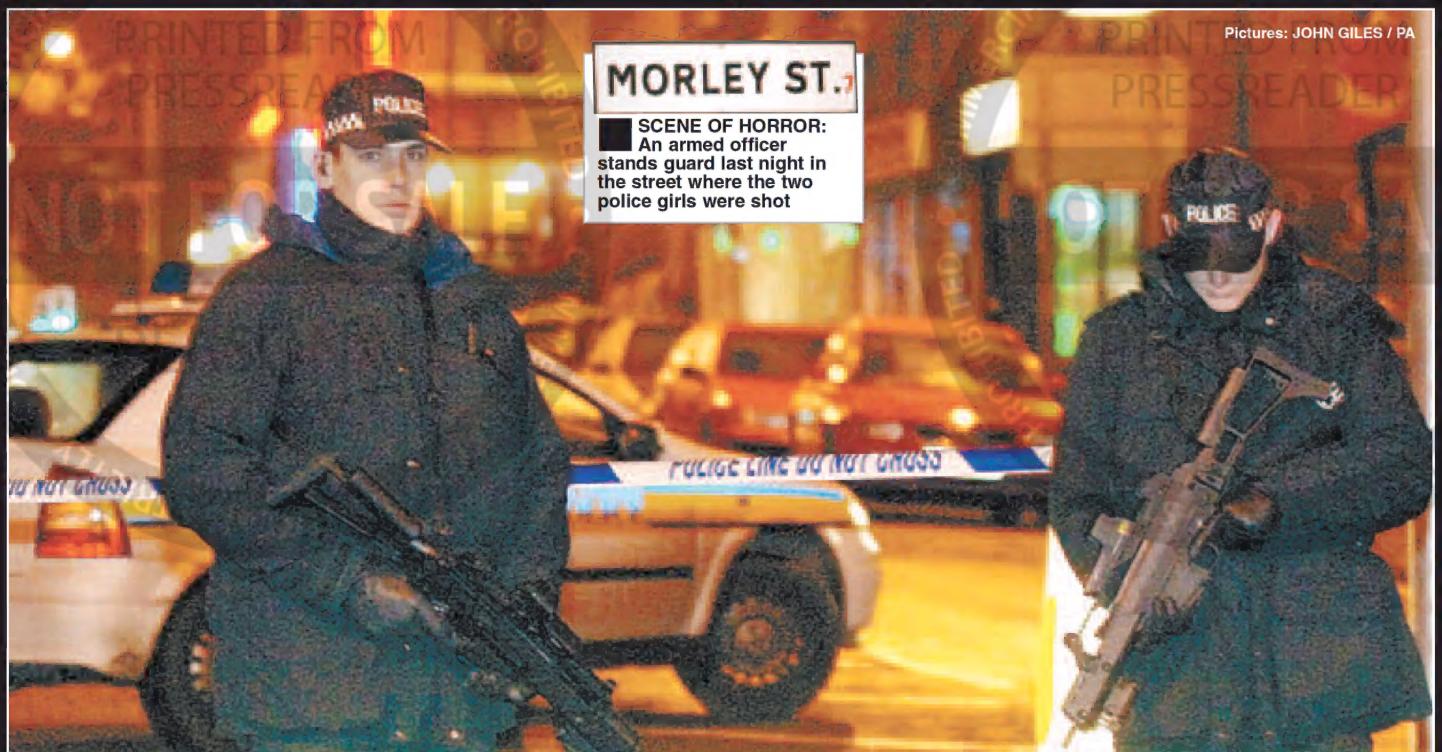
**SEEING RED:** Roy Keane has walked out on his beloved United

MANCHESTER United pin-up Cristiano Ronaldo is set to be cleared over rape claims.

It was alleged he raped a woman in a luxury London hotel suite.

But the Crown Prosecution Service will announce within days that there is not enough evidence to prosecute the Portuguese international, according to sources.

The 20-year-old winger



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**SCENE OF HORROR:**  
An armed officer  
stands guard last night in  
the street where the two  
police girls were shot

Pictures: JOHN GILES / PA

# ROOKIE GIRL COPPER SHOT DEAD IN RAID

## Massive hunt for gunmen



KILLED: Yvonne

A ROOKIE policewoman was shot dead and another seriously wounded yesterday as they tried to stop an armed robbery.

The two unarmed officers were called to a city centre travel agent's shop to investigate reports of a raid.

Witnesses said they were confronted by gunmen, who opened fire at point-blank range into their chests before fleeing.

### Injured

Onlookers desperately tried to save the life of the most seriously injured officer, in her mid-thirties, but she is thought to have died instantly.

The other policewoman was rushed to hospital, where she was last night undergoing emergency treatment for serious gunshot wounds.

Up to 100 police were drafted in to hunt for the gunmen as the area surrounding the shooting in Morley

■ by JERRY LAWTON

Street, Bradford, West Yorks, was sealed off. Armed officers were guarding an alleyway near a taxi office.

It is believed the policewoman who died was a "probationer" who had only been in the force a few months.

The West Yorkshire force is still reeling from the murder of Pc Paul Broadhurst, 34, by US gangster David Bieber, 38, in Leeds on Boxing Day 2003.

The two women PCs were called to the Universal Express shop at 3.25pm yesterday.

Property developer Amer Khan, 24, who was nearby when the shooting happened, said: "A lad told me three Jamaican guys robbed the shop. When they were confronted by two police-women, they shot them."

"I saw people trying to give one officer the kiss of life. It's shocking."

Another witness said: "Why were two unarmed police-women sent to deal with an armed robbery? And we

heard they were not even fully qualified police."

Last night Home Secretary Charles Clarke said he was "shocked and saddened" by the tragedy.

Only three other women police officers have died in the line of duty in the past 20 years.

Yvonne Fletcher, 25, was shot by a sniper hiding in the Libyan Embassy in London as she tried to control demonstrators during a bloody 11-day siege in April, 1984. Her murderer has never been brought to justice.

### Stabbed

Nina MacKay, 25, was stabbed to death while trying to arrest a suspect in East London in October 1997. Her killer Magdi Elgizouli, 30, was sent to a mental hospital.

And Pc Alison Armitage, 29, was run down by a stolen car in Hollinwood, near Oldham, four years ago. Car thief Thomas Whaley, 19, of Oldham, was jailed for eight years for manslaughter.

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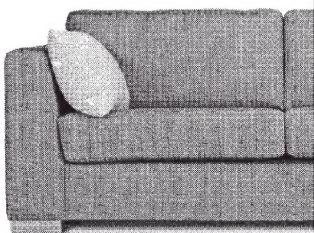
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6.30pm: Strictly Come Dancing (BBC1)  
7.00pm: The X Factor (ITV1)  
8.10pm: Xtra Factor (ITV2)  
9.10pm: X Factor – the results (ITV1)  
9.10pm: Strictly Come Dancing – results (BBC1)  
9.40pm: Xtra Factor (ITV2)

## Reality TV What's on when

10.10pm: I'm A Celebrity Get Me Out Of Here! (ITV1)  
11.10pm: I'm A Celebrity Get Me Out Of Here Now! (ITV2)  
**MONDAY**  
12.10am: I'm A Celebrity Get Me Out Of Here Live! (ITV2)  
12.35am: I'm A Celebrity Get Me Out Of Here Live! (ITV1)  
2.30am: I'm A Celebrity Get Me Out Of Here Live! (ITV2)

10.55am: The X Factor & Results Show (rpt) (ITV1)  
10.55pm: Xtra Factor (ITV2)

9.00pm: I'm A Celebrity Get Me Out Of Here! (ITV1)  
11.10pm: I'm A Celebrity Get Me Out Of Here Now! (ITV2)  
**TUESDAY**  
10.10pm: I'm A Celebrity Get Me Out Of Here! (ITV1)  
12.35am: I'm A Celebrity Get Me Out Of Here Live! (ITV2)  
**SUNDAY**  
10.55am: The X Factor & Results Show (rpt) (ITV1)  
10.55pm: Xtra Factor (ITV2)

**BRITAIN** will go reality TV mad this weekend with over 30million viewers watching their faves. **STAR** More than half the population will watch either X Factor or Strictly Come Dancing, both of which boot out their sixth contestants, or the new I'm A Celebrity. **STAR** And betting on the shows is set to reach new heights, with bookies predicting a whopping £5 million to be wagered. **STAR** Ladbrokes' Robin Hutchinson said: "It will be the biggest weekend of reality TV betting ever."

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(Get up) let all hang out; (Jump back) gonna scream and shout (Hey!) Don't you wanna get out of line; Everybody say "What time is it?" – It's Chico Time!

Chorus Well you can get delirious, if you take life too serious, It's Chico time; It's Chico time! Well you can get delirious, if you take life too serious, It's Chico time!

Get up in the song, You can do nothing wrong; In front of the mirror like there's a party going on. If you want it you got it, go get it baby can't you see; Don't fantasise, just realise you're happy to be free.

Shake it naughty come on baby bump my body, if you don't really then baby just lay it on me. It's Chico time. Go Chico go Chico go. Go Chico go Chico go.



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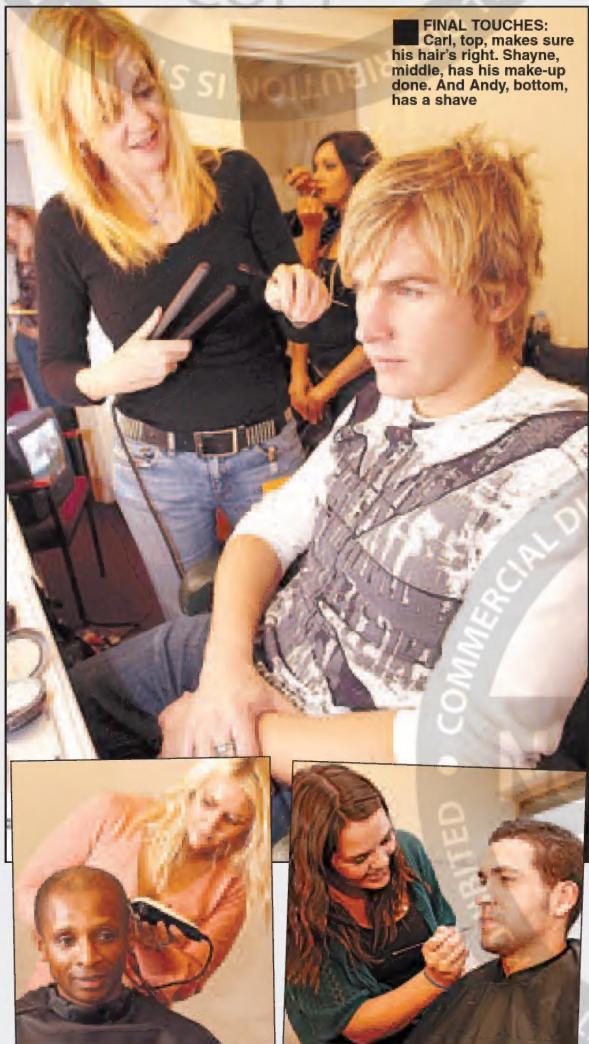
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# LOUIS IN BLAST AT 'KARAOKE' ROBBIE



**FINAL TOUCHES:** Carl, top, makes sure his hair's right. Shayne, middle, has his make-up done. And Andy, bottom, has a shave

## EXCLUSIVE

■ by MARK JEFFERIES

**ANGRY** Louis Walsh lost the plot in an amazing rant about The X Factor and Robbie Williams.

He slammed his fellow judges Simon Cowell and Sharon Osbourne for having "big egos".

And he followed that up with a savage attack on "karaoke singer" Robbie, 31, before calling his own former act Boyzone "two good singers and three Ringo Starrs".

In a shock outburst the Irish music mogul said Sharon, 53, over-reacted to his decision to vote off Maria, 30, instead of The Conway Sisters.

Louis, 53, added: "Sharon is an actress and she'll take anything out of the hat and go with it. If she's so caring then let her get Maria a record deal and hey, Maria's done well out of this."

"I've taken flak but it was a tough decision."

Turning to Cowell, 46, he said: "Simon thinks the show is all about him."

"He's so self-centred. He got cross with me when I referred to him on the show as having his teeth done but I've come out of my shell since last year."

"Simon chose me to be on the programme because I love music. He doesn't! He doesn't even buy CDs."

### Happy

Asked for his opinion on both his fellow judges he said: "They're both got pretty big egos and we love a good show."

Louis then started on Robbie Williams. And he couldn't disguise his glee after his band Westlife knocked Robbie off the top of the annual charts.

He said: "I'm delighted about that. Robbie is just a jumped up karaoke singer."

"I have no idea why he's been so successful."

He then hit out at his former group Boyzone, saying only "Stephen Gately and Ronan Keating were good singers".

During the last series Louis rarely had a bad word to say - but he has spoken up this time.

Louis said: "I don't think I'm rude to people, not at all. I'm being realistic."

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SAVAGED: Robbie, left, has been attacked by Louis, above

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## Knives out for Sisters

From Page One

in the face of the fans' conspiracy. "On the online chatrooms all the talk is about plotting to get the Conways out and making sure no one votes for the girls," said a show source last night.

"They're a dead cert to be in the bottom two and we don't think the judges will go against the public again so they look likely to go."

Millions of viewers were shocked last week when judge Louis Walsh

backed the four Irish singers to stay ahead of sexy Maria Lawson, 30.

"The girls might have got saved by Louis last time around but we don't think he'll make the same mistake again," said the source.

"The girls have got so much pressure on them to improve and they are really struggling."

Bookies Ladbrokes said they had been "knocked over" by punters trying to back the girls for the chop.

They made them 4-6 for the axe

and spokesman Robin Hutchison said: "Even the Irish mafia won't be able to save them this time."

Sisters Sharon, 28, Sinead, 23, Marie, 21, and Laura, 18, have been struggling to defend themselves against all the criticism this week.

Their dad Kieran said: "The girls have been left very hurt."

"I've read some of the comments left on websites and they are nothing short of racist."

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## Oh Lizzie it's cold inside

LIZ McClarnon did her best to turn up the heat when she performed at the Chidline event in Liverpool in a bright red frock.

The ex-Atomic Kitten, 23, entertained the crowd before mingling among guests and confessing she was "freezing cold" while nipping to the nearest loo.

A feeling we could sympathise well with...

## HUSH HUSH

WHICH showbiz beauty threw a major strop at a beauty salon when her spray tan came out too dark? The blonde stormed out of the northern venue before walking into the rain and ending up with streaky skin. So the diva spent two hours scrubbing herself in a bid to remove the marks and a further three hours crying to friends. It's high time she came off the smelly stuff and got a grip.

# THE GOSS

Live at A Night With The Stars

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# COLEEN FOR HOLLYOAKS

## Wayne's girl lands part in soap

**COLEEN** McLoughlin is heading for the bright lights of TV soapland.

For we can reveal that a major telly firm is hoping to sign up the blonde babe to star in Hollyoaks.

A TV insider said: "They all think Coleen is absolutely scrumptious."

"She is everything they could wish for and more. She is a lovely, talented person who has a very high profile."

She was certainly on top form when we met her at A Night With The Stars ball in aid of Chidline at St George's Hall in Liverpool.

She revealed: "I've been really busy recently, but I'd love to have a crack at acting. And I do love Hollyoaks." She also insisted she isn't



COL-LARED: Our Amy and Leigh party with dazzling Coleen

ready to tie the knot with Wayne — because she's simply "too young".

She added: "There always seems to be a pressure to marry and it's just not us. I'm just not ready."

### Desire

Coleen was sitting with pals, including hunky Hollyoaks actor **Guy Burnet**, 21, aka Craig Dean.

He said: "She would be absolutely fantastic (in Hollyoaks). The ratings would rocket."

Coleen revealed her desire to star on screen earlier this year, when she said: "What people don't know is I've got 11 GCSEs including an A\* in performing arts, so I'd be able to hold my own."

And we've no doubt the Liverpudlian lovely would.



## Hot Alex so cool

GORGEOUS blonde **Alex Curran** left folks baffled with her bizarre behaviour at the afterparty for the charity event in Liverpool.

England ace **Steven Gerrard's** 23-year-old girlfriend let her hair down at the glitzy New Bar & Cafe but refused to comment on reports she is two months pregnant with her second child.

One guest said: "She was dancing with her mates and having a laugh but when asked about whether or not she was expecting, she was far from happy."

Earlier in the evening she proved prepared when her shorts slipped down... quickly rescuing her modesty with a safety pin.

Every Girl Guide, eh Alex...



## HERE'S LICKING AT YOU

IT was a case of tongues out for the lads when ex-EastEnders actress **Charlie Brooks** and socialite **Tamara Beckwith** hit the town.

Charlie, 24, left, seemed happy to pose for photos after leaving London's Pangaea nightclub.

But 35-year-old Tamara wasn't so keen to be pictured after partying at the British Red Cross Gala Ball, right. Mmm... can't think why.



HAVE YOU GOT SOME JUICY GOSSIP FOR US?



## SPOTTED

IN London: **Kirsten Dunst** wearing shades at Heathrow, Terminal 1. **Sadie Frost** drinking water whilst walking along Belsize Lane and sexy **Cold Feet** star **James Nesbitt** on Hampstead High Street. **Rhys Ifans** at The Orwell pub, Islington, Hotel bar and **Jade Goody** on her mobile at Victoria Station.

## Kim's bridal frown

**WE** think Rod Stewart's girl **Kimberly** is having a tough time.

Just when we hear the 26-year-old model has announced her engagement to TV star **Talan Torriero**, we're now told her future mother-in-law has put a damper on things.

According to reports she is far from happy. An insider said: "The couple

are getting their paperwork together to get married in Vegas this weekend."

"They want to do it right away but Talan's mother is hysterically crying."

Kimberly showed off her five-carat diamond engagement ring to pals **Paris**, 24, and **Nicky Hilton**, 22, when she and Torriero, 19, star of reality show *Laguna Beach*, went to a Beverly Hills party. We say go for gold girl!

Picture: REX FEATURES



Picture: CHRIS NEILL

## JENNY'S CUPS RUN OVER AT FOOTIE NIGHT

**JENNIFER** Ellison is not only one hell of a foxy female – she's more forgiving than most. Liverpudlian Jen, 22, kissed and made up with fiancé **Tony Richardson**, after he spent nearly £5,000 of their cash on two tickets to the World Cup Finals at a charity auction, before telling the bubbly blonde he was going to take his mate – and not her.

Jen's long-term love Tony, 26, was the first eager bidder at the city's St George's Hall when he offered £4,800 for the pair of exclusive tickets for the event in Germany.

### Pal

Jen looked lost for words when she joked he'd be taking a pal. She said: "Honestly, when Tony bid that much cash I was embarrassed. Then he told me I was going to take a friend – and not me. I guess he was only messing around but he did manage to have me on for a few minutes – I was not impressed!" Up-front Jen, who has four films coming out next year, also laughed: "Honestly, I think my boobs look too big in this blouse."

**BEING** single isn't getting **Sophie Anderson** down, as she proved when lending her support to the Night With The Stars Children's event in Liverpool.

Despite finding she was wearing the same dress as another guest, top model Sophie, 28, said happily: "I'm so pleased not having to worry about a boyfriend."

"And reports linking me to **Kaz** from the **Bodyrockers** were rubbish – we're just mates." Form an orderly queue gents...



## Phar from stupid

**PHARRELL** Williams wants a bookworm for a girlfriend.

The 32-year-old rapper and super-producer says he's after a woman with intellect.

Can I Have It Like That star Pharrell says: "I like a girl who has high expectations in life and is interested in different things.

I love girls who are avid readers. That's really attractive to me.

"They'd have to be smart and pretty too. In that order."

The singer also admitted that he likes girls... with red toes.

He explains: "Red is very sexy on a girl's toes."

Is there anything else mate?

## QUICKIE..

**REESE** Witherspoon feels like a rodent. The actress, 29, says caring for her two children and making movies is like living in a hamster wheel. She said: "The most important thing is my children and them being happy and healthy." Our hearts bleed...

## Painful, Jason?

**JASON** Statham pays people to stamp on his back.

The hardman actor, 33, loves massages and hates therapists tending to him too gently.

He revealed: "I can't stand a soft soothing massage. I like someone to hurt me."

The star also revealed he is

looking forward to finding love, after finishing a long-term relationship with **Kelly Brook**, 25.

He said: "The world is full of great people and I just wait for the magic to arrive. When you're not looking, it finds you."

Could you "not look" in our direction, please?

## QUICKIE..

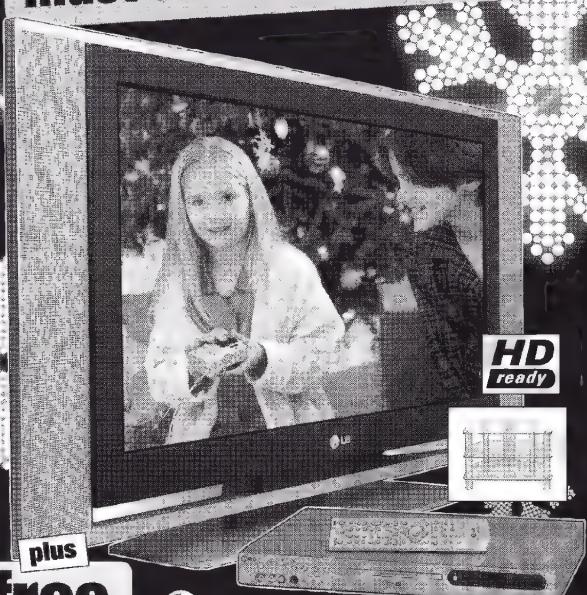
**NAOMI** Campbell has spoken about her charity initiative Fashion For Relief. The event raised £1million for the survivors of Hurricane Katrina when it closed New York's Olympus Fashion Week in September. "I want to thank everyone for donating their time and talent," the 35-year-old said.

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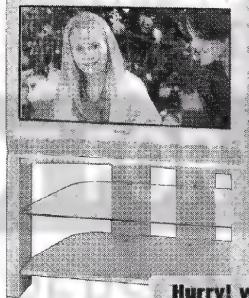
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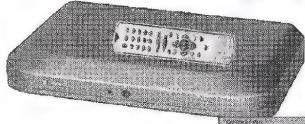
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## Spare us fumbles in the jungle

**T**HE producers of *I'm A Celebrity Get Me Out Of Here!* are obviously trying to make it like *Celebrity Love Island* with Bushtucker Trials.

They've admitted they want the contestants to cop off with each other.

In previous series, Jordan and Peter Andre got together in full fake tan-o-vision and who can forget Darren Day's relationship with Tara Palmer-Tomkinson?

Nobody. Though Tara wishes she could and is considering having pioneering laser lobotomy treatment to help blot out the memories.

Putting aside the moral issues of trying to pair up people such as Sheree Murphy and Antony Costa who have long-term relationships back home (though if you are married to a footballer I guess you should never really look at relationships as long-term) there is still a problem here.

Gruesome twosomes. Yep. For every potential glamorous coupling there's the possibility of one that crosses the bounds of visual taste and decency.

I'm sure the British public would be more than happy to watch Sid Owen and Jenny Frost getting jiggy with it but what about David Dickinson playing tongue hockey with Elaine Lordan? Or Jimmy Osmond and Jilly Goolden going at it like rutting stags?

Cannon & Ball with Carol Thatcher? Rock on Tommy! And off. And up. And down.

I know that, officially, Cannon & Ball aren't going in but I haven't given up all hope of a late entry. There are only four blokes in the starting line-up, after all.

Can I suggest the producers put bromide in the tea just in case?

Elsewhere on Planet E Television, I'm not sure about this new Channel 4 series Space Cadets. Not just because Johnny Vaughan has already had 57 million chances at presenting a big TV show, has cocked up 56,999,999 of them and now has a track record that makes Eddie the Eagle Edwards look like the Real Madrid team of the 1960s.

I also cannot see how it will work.

Don't get me wrong. There would be nothing more cruelly hilarious than watching some

I'M glad to see that Makosi was allowed to stay in Britain. Sure, she was nuttier than a duffel bag of acorns but I don't really want her to have to face hate mobs in her native Zimbabwe.

Lord knows, the ones she faced in Britain were bad enough.

However, I am worried that this will mess up the immigration quotas.

I feel we need to deport another Big Brother contestant to fill the gap.

I am really spoilt for choice. But if we send both Maxwell and Saskia - who were in the last series - I'm sure we'll be covered.

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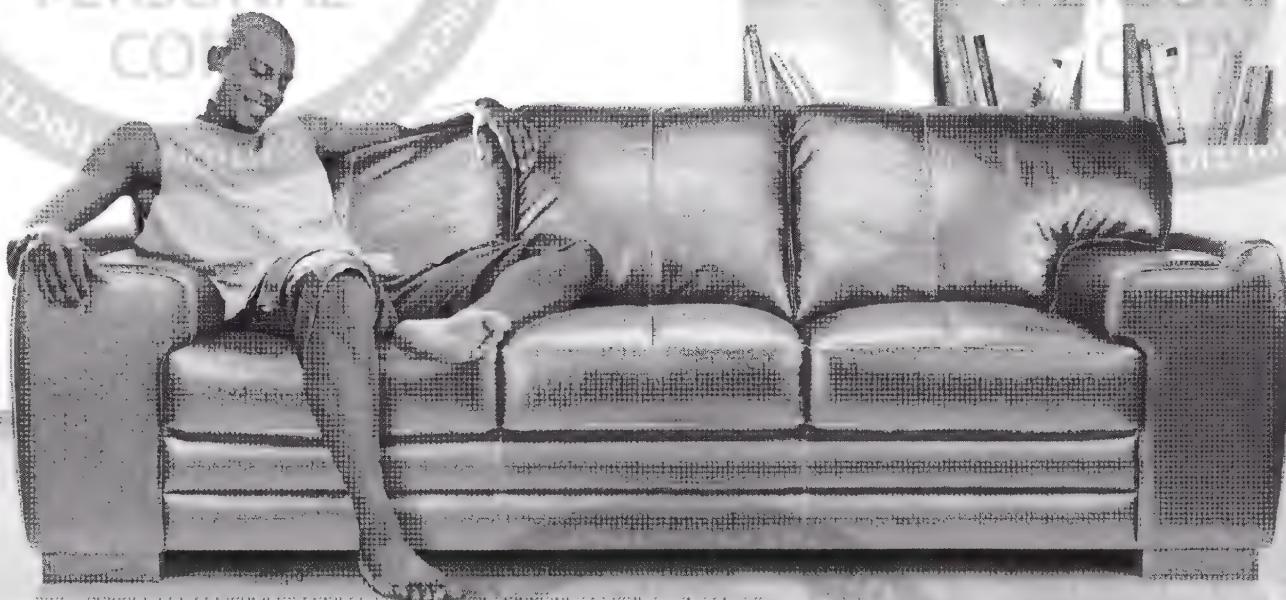
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# PC LOONIES BAN XMAS REINDEER

## Santa's pals a 'health hazard'

■ by JERRY LAWTON

**CHILDREN** have been banned from palling Santa's reindeer – because bureaucrats reckon they're a health hazard.

Civic bigwigs said a festive procession could go ahead only if first-aiders provided antiseptic handwipes wherever the reindeer went.

They also insisted on a dedicated team of sleigh stewards to keep youngsters away from the creatures.

Organisers of the Festival Of Christmas parade in Beverley, East Yorks, said there was no need for a fuss.

The 30,000-strong crowd expected to line the route would be behind metal barriers – and wouldn't get within 8ft of Santa's sleigh.

But council chiefs insisted on the safety plan in case children accidentally brushed past the unhygienic reindeer.

**Burden**

Now organisers have reluctantly agreed to the moves – and have hired a team of stewards armed with handwipes.

Last night Beverley and Holderness MP Graham Stuart blasted it as "officialdom gone mad".

He said: "The Festival Of Christmas committee have nearly given up because of the burden of regulations."

"It got down to the point where I believe it was suggested they should have portable hand-washing facilities following any reindeer around in case any child touched one."

But a senior council source blamed the regular

### POLITICAL CORRECTNESS GONE MAD

tions on Britain's growing "compensation culture".

He said: "If a child did happen to pick up germs from one of the reindeer and we had not acted on the potential risk then we would be wide open for legal action."

Santas picketed Parliament yesterday in protest at "politically correct" bans on traditional Christmas celebrations.

The Santas, from the Lakeside shopping centre grotto in Essex, waved posters saying "Santas For Justice" and "Ho, Ho, Ho, Not No, No, No."

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## WHERE'S OUR TORCHLIGHT?

■ by GARY NICKS

**TORCHES** have been banned from a festive TORCHLIGHT procession because of health and safety fears.

Marchers won't even be able to carry candles ... in case people with long hair catch fire.

Instead, killjoy councillors in the Cornish harbour town of Looe have blown £350 on 500 plastic glowsticks for the December 15 event.

Mayor Ron Overd sighed: "These days, people are suing at the drop of a hat. What we are talking about is naked flames, hot wax, long hair, cars with wax sprayed on them. We decided it would be prudent to use some other form of lighting."

But Looe resident John Andrews, 55, stormed:

"How can you possibly have a torchlight procession with glowsticks? We'll be a laughing stock."

**Water**

And retired teacher Ann Richards, 60, fumed: "I just can't believe it.

"The traditional procession was one of the reasons my husband and I moved to Looe.

"People were so careful with the torches and there were barrels of water all along the route.

"One man said: 'They have gone way too far.'

"This ban is quite simply bureaucracy gone completely mad."

### School 'is rule mad'

A SCHOOL was slammed last night for going overboard on health and safety.

Rhodes Avenue Primary, in Muswell Hill, north London, has barred nuts, sparklers, conkers and swapping lunches. And three oak trees were axed in case they fell on pupils.

One man said: "They have gone way too far."

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■ COKE shame model Kate Moss set tongues wagging that she'd switched to needles – but only for a tattoo. She was snapped leaving a tattoo and piercing parlour in New York with daughter Lila Grace, three.

Kate, 31, has been in the Big Apple getting her life back on track after a spell in an Arizona rehab clinic and we showed yesterday how she has bounced back to land a slot posing topless in the 2006 Pirelli calendar.

■ Meanwhile, her on-off boyfriend Pete Doherty, 26, has had the face of a man accused of selling snaps of Kate snorting cocaine blanked out of his new video.

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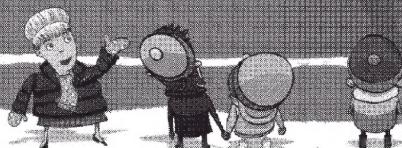
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## HUBBY'S HAIRDO GIVES BRIT A SHOCK



**HAIRY MOMENT:**  
Star Britney is open-mouthed at the nail salon

**Oh Kev!  
You're off  
yer head**

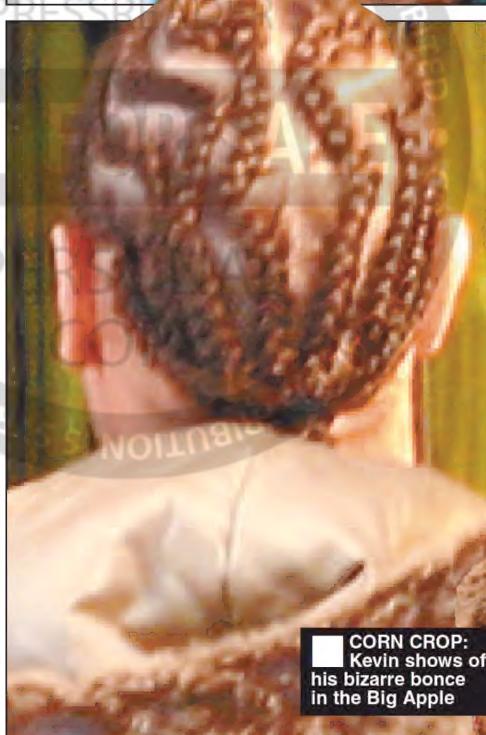
**CRIKEY,** Kev – what's that on your head? Britney Spears seems to have had her first hair-raising look at her hubby's new barnet.

Kevin Federline, 27, revealed the weird plaited "cornrow" style as he went on a shopping spree with pals in New York.

He had arrived in the Big Apple with singer Britney, 23, who was there to work on some new tracks.

But the mum of new tot Sean Preston made time for some pampering sessions of her own.

She popped to a salon to get new false nails – although by the look on her face it wasn't a lot of laughs.



**CORN CROP:**  
Kevin shows off his bizarre bonce in the Big Apple



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TOUR SONG: Matt Lucas

## Dafydd's tip top for Xmas

■ by MAZ PARTASIDES  
MINCING Little Britain star Dafydd is set to bag the Christmas No.1 spot with his show-stopping single from their novelty tour.

The only gay in the village finishes his live set with a hilarious pop opera song.

And paid-up fans are begging creators Matt Lucas, 31, and David Williams, 33, to release it as a novelty record in time for the festive season. Spread betting experts Bethilo reckon the single would sell 100,000 copies in its first week.

### Huge

A spokesman said: "The show is absolutely huge at the moment and a Christmas single is sure to rocket to No.1."

If it does it will follow in the footsteps of other Chrimbo novelty hits such as Mr Blobby in 1993 and kids' single Bob The Builder in 2000.

LITTLE Britain was big news for viewers on Thursday night – when a massive 9.5million tuned in for the first show in the programme's third series.

When the second series started last year, the opening show pulled in 4.5m.

A BBC spokesman said: "It's an incredible return."



## Flu drug warning

THE drug being stockpiled to protect against bird flu could be linked to deaths and madness in children.

Tamiflu – the brand name of oseltamivir – is being investigated by the US Food and Drug Administration.

Some reports claim 12 Japanese children aged one to 16 died after taking the drug and that two boys, aged 12 and 13, threw themselves out of upstairs windows.

It's claimed Tamiflu can also cause severe skin reactions.

The Roche company, who sell the drug, say that the side-effects are rare given the millions of people who have taken it.

# BESTIE BACK IN INTENSIVE CARE

GEORGE Best was rushed back into intensive care yesterday suffering from "a new and severe infection".

The football legend was "very poorly" last night.

His son Calum, 24, and pal and former Manchester United team-mate Denis Law, 65, were at his bedside.

Best, 59, was hooked up to a dialysis machine to save his failing kidneys and

■ by GARY NICKS

is also on oxygen. He'd been making steady progress after fighting back from the brink of death two weeks ago.

### Setback

But worried doctors last night revealed that his condition has deteriorated again.

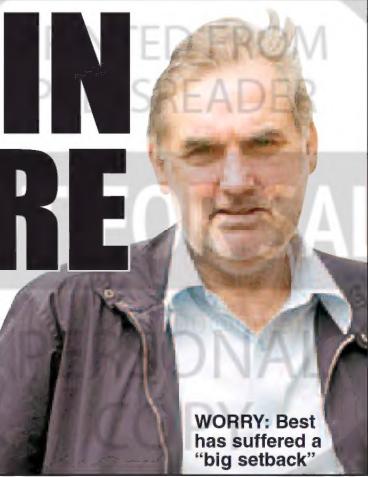
Best had been recovering on a ward at the private Cromwell Hospital in

west London after responding well to treatment.

But he was transferred back into intensive care yesterday morning after suffering a "big setback".

Prof Roger Williams, who performed Best's liver transplant three years ago, said: "He's got a new and severe infection, he's on dialysis and he's very poorly at the moment."

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WORRY: Best has suffered a "big setback"



## MARK FINDS A LOST LOVE



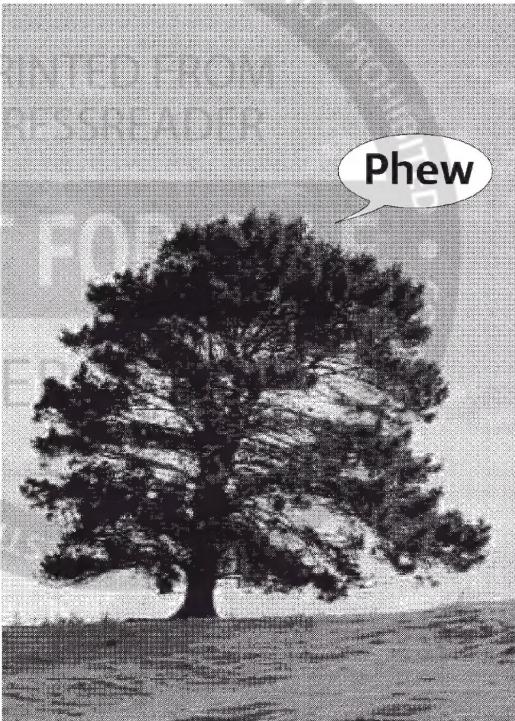
PLEA: Mark Owen

TAKE That star Mark Owen put out an appeal for "his first true love" on a radio station – and struck gold last night.

Mark, 33, spoke of lost holiday love "Sammy from Barnsley" on Sheffield's Hallam FM radio station.

Mother-of-two Sammy Jaye, 34, above, now a Kylie Minogue tribute artist, called in to "Owen" up – and revealed he was a "really good kisser".

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# THE PREZZIE TO DIAL FOR

## Garter perfect for a mobile

■ by NADINE LINGE

THE saucy garter Charlotte Church flaunted in a hot video has got a new use – as a sexy accessory for mobile phones.

Phone operator 3 and luxury lingerie label Agent Provocateur have launched the limited-edition silk garter in time to become a must-have Christmas prezzie.

It has a special pocket for women's phones to keep them safe during the boozy party season, after research showed thousands of women lose their mobile on drunken nights out.

The garter is just the solution for booze-loving Charlotte, 19, who's often pictured stumbling out of clubs after downing vodka and champagne.

### Lace

Agent Provocateur boss Serena Rees said: "I'm sure the garters will be popular gifts with men who are tired of carrying their girlfriend's phone around in their pockets on nights out."

"The garter is a perfect example of fashion meeting functionality."

In the video for her raunchy number Call My Name, gorgeous Charlotte is seen modelling the black garter with pink lace-trimmed pocket for her phone.

The sizzling promo then sees curvy Charlotte strut her way through a sexy dance routine dressed in a red-and-black corset and knee-high boots.

The garter is available exclusively from the new 3 store, which opens today at Britain's biggest shopping centre Bluewater in Kent.

"Nowadays mobile phones are seen as just as important on a night out as keys or money," said Graeme Oxby from 3.

"With thousands of phones lost in the run-up to Christmas we hope the garter will offer a stylish and practical solution for women during the party season."

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SEXY: But not a good gift



HOT LINE:  
Charlotte wears the garter in her sexy video

## Undies gift rapped

BRIT gals love wearing sexy undies – but don't want them as presents.

Scanties from lovers, hubbies or boyfriends topped a Xmas irritation list for 90% of women in a survey of 20 to 45-year-olds.

The online Internet Woman's Forum said:

"It's irritating for a woman to receive underwear as a present from a man. She knows he's really bought a present for himself!"

And 20% of the 3,500 women interviewed complained their blokes made no effort to wear sexy male undies.

